

Appl. No. 10/692,074
Amdt. dated September 13, 2005
Amendment under 37 CFR 1.116 Expedited Procedure
Examining Group 1745

PATENT

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed on August 18, 2005.

In the Office Action, claims 1-8, 10-18, and 23-25 are rejected under 35 USC 112, 1st paragraph. Claims 1, 5-8, 10-15, 23, and 25 are rejected over Dietz, Dalton, and Naghi et al. Claim 24 is rejected over Dietz, Dalton, Naghi, et al., and Martin.

Claim 19 is indicated as being allowable (see page 6 of the Office Action).

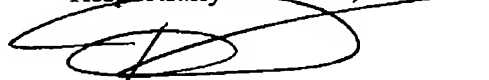
The rejections under 35 USC 112 and the art rejections are traversed. However, to expedite the prosecution, all previously pending claims, except claim 19 are canceled. Claims 26-28 are added and depend from claim 19. Support for new claims 26-28 can be found in the claims as originally filed. Since new claims 26-28 depend from allowable claim 19, claims 19 and 26-28 are believed to be in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance and an action to that end is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

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